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WAR

WITH
RUSSIA

INEVITABLE?

DO YOU KNOW

that World War 3 is inevitable, however it will coincide and be solved by the return of Jesus Christ back to the earth.

DO YOU REALISE

that we are presently witnessing the preparation for Russia's advancement into the Middle East. But Jesus Christ will return to save Israel God's people, and the world, for only he will overcome the Russian threat.

Bible prophecy will be fulfilled bringing about God's kingdom on earth.

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to learn what the future will reveal; if you care about your personal destiny and how to change the course of your own life, providing you with hope for the future, read this booklet carefully and thoughtfully. It has a message for you.

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A Fear-ridden World

It is apparent, that the world is accelerating towards a terrible climax, some catastrophic point in history when civilisation itself will crash to irreparable ruin.

Never before, in times of peace, have such preparations for war been made as at the present. Never before has mankind groaned under such a heavy burden of taxation to finance these preparations; nor politicians gambled with such diabolical methods of destruction as they do today.

As men try to peer into the future, it is with fear and dread in their hearts. They know that when war comes it cannot be limited to one part of the globe, but must engulf all mankind in an orgy of destruction, bloodshed and terror unprecedented in history, destroying the present way of life on earth.

So terrible is mankind's future prospect, that most people refuse to look at it. They flee for refuge to some form of escapism. They immerse their minds in business, sport, or entertainment, and find in those directions a diversion from reality.

But always the grim, haunting spectre of World War III looms out of a cloudy political horizon threatening to destroy all that mankind has established or enjoys.

Where is there a solution to the present mad race for power on the part of the nations? Socialism challenges Democracy; the East versus the West; two military blocs of nations, armed to the teeth, throw threats at each other. This political and military war rages with unceasing hostility,

"The Russian leaders are out for one of two things – the unconditional surrender of the Western Powers or their extermination. Nothing will divert Russia from this objective, except force or the effective threat of it. Any who think to the contrary cannot be aware of the facts, and can be basing their opinions only upon a pious hope for which there is no warrant or foundation of any kind whatsoever."

– Intelligence Digest

not only throughout Europe, America and Australia, but among the dark races of Africa, the countless millions of India, Pakistan and China, the teeming populations of the islands of the Pacific just north of Australia.

It is a “cold war” that could easily “heat up” into actual conflict, turning cities into heaps of rubble, bringing widespread death and mourning throughout the world.

Men and women everywhere yearn for good, sane government that will bring order to the present chaotic conditions. They are tired of the constant threat of war, of the unceasing repetition of crises that disturb their peace of mind.

But where is the man or combination of men, capable of leading the world out of the morass of evil into which it has blundered?

Is there no escape from the melee, no possibility of peace, no guiding star of hope upon which man can follow?

Is the present mad competition for power to end in the destruction of the race? Is war with Russia inevitable?

These are the questions thinking men and women are asking. But there is only one place from whence can be obtained an infallible answer. That place is the Bible. We must turn to it if we desire to know what the future will reveal, and we would seek a means of escape therefrom.

Why Peace Eludes Mankind

Why is it that despite all man’s efforts for peace, it eludes him? Why is it, that despite endless plans, pacts, promises, agreements, the interminable conferences, the high-sounding platitudes of mutual trust and goodwill mouthed by politicians, that statesmen continue to play the game of power politics, and nations walk the familiar pathway to war?

It is because the words of God are true, *“There is no peace to the wicked”* (Isaiah 57:20). It is because God is left out of the counsels of men and nations. The materialistic world of today rejects God’s way, it mocks His Word, it blasphemes His Name, it puts all confidence in mankind. The Bible declares, *“Behold, the LORD’s hand is not shortened that it cannot save; neither His ear heavy, that it cannot hear; but your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have*

hid His face from you, that He will not hear” (Isaiah 59:1-2).

These conditions will not always prevail. God has a purpose in creation which will be seen in the earth in His own good time. The Bible teaches, “*He (God) hath appointed a day, in the which He will judge the world in righteousness **by that man** whom He hath ordained; whereof He hath given assurance unto all men, in that He hath raised him from the dead” (Acts 17:31).*

That man is the Lord Jesus Christ. At the appointed time, Jesus Christ will return to judge the world in righteousness, and supersede man’s rule by his own glorious authority (Daniel 2:44). He will establish on the earth the Kingdom of God.

But when will that be?

Bible students believe that the return of Jesus Christ is soon to occur. One of the indications of this is the growing power of Russia. It is obvious today that whilst the West has dissipated its energy, and spent its money on peacemaking, pleasures, and luxuries of life, the Russian Government has ruthlessly pursued one objective: **ultimate world domination**. It has forced its people to do without the luxuries of life. It has spent its energies, and used its resources, in the pursuit of one policy: to become militarily the most powerful, dominant nation upon earth. As a result international rivalry has grown, and mankind lives under the constant threat of international war; and when it comes, it will involve all nations in the greatest catastrophe of all time.

Statesmen and scientists realise the grim possibility of this. They know that one day, perhaps without warning, there could pour out of the heavens, from the ballistic missiles fired thereinto, a rain of destruction upon the cities beneath. So that, today, there is found a fulfilment of the words of the Lord Jesus Christ, “... *upon the earth there shall be distress of nations, with perplexity ...Men’s hearts*



Russia’s awesome display of military might

failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth... then shall they see the Son of man coming in power..." (Luke 21:25-27).

Jesus Christ's Coming is Near

There is a sense of urgency, because of the tremendous issues facing humanity. We believe that the world is on the brink of the most momentous event of all time; one that will cause even war with Russia to pale into insignificance in comparison.

That event is the return of the Lord Jesus Christ to the earth. The teaching of the personal return of Jesus Christ to reign on earth, is clearly outlined in the Bible. The Apostles were told, *"This same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven"* (Acts 1:11).

The Apostles taught, *"He [God] shall send Jesus Christ which before was preached unto you; whom the heaven must receive until the times of restitution of all things, which God hath spoken by the mouth of all His holy prophets since the world began"* (Acts 3:20-21). *"He shall put down all rule and all authority and power, for he must reign, till he hath put all enemies under his feet"* (1Corinthians 15:23-25). *"Every eye shall see him"* (Revelation 1:7). *"Unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation"* (Hebrews 9:28). *"If we suffer, we shall also reign with him"* (2Timothy 2:12). *"Behold, I, [Jesus] come quickly; and my reward is with me to give every man according as his work shall be"* (Revelation 22:12). *"The God of heaven shall set up a kingdom that shall never be destroyed"* (Daniel 2:44).

The Bible not only teaches that Jesus Christ is coming, but also shows that his coming is near at hand. This is demonstrated in the remarkable fulfilment of Bible prophecy in current events which are signs indicating the imminence of this great event.

Outstanding among these indications is the Jewish sign. Within the last 100 years, the world has witnessed a miracle in the Middle East. It has seen the revival of an ancient nation after 2,000 years of brutal persecution and scattering among the nations. It has seen the name

“Israel” appear again upon the atlas of the world as a geographical location. It has heard the Hebrew language again spoken, resurrected from among the “dead languages” where it had been buried for so long.

This coincides exactly with God’s plan and purpose. The Bible speaks of a *“set time to favour Zion”* (Psalm 102:13). It states that *“when the Lord shall build up Zion, He shall appear in His glory”* (verse 16).

That is the significance of the modern revival of Israel. There is more than cleverness of Jewish brains, or strength of Jewish muscles in what is happening in the Middle East today, for God’s hand is revealed in these matters.

That is why the Jewish State of Israel has been able to overcome so many difficulties, so much opposition, and yet continue on from strength to strength. It has battled its way to victory against superior forces ranged against it; it has brought a measure of prosperity to the arid soil of Israel; rebuilt the ancient cities in the face of tremendous difficulties; and has made embattled Israel a place of refuge for a people who have been hated and despised by most nations.

In this, Bible prophecy is being fulfilled today!

God declared, *“I will take the children of Israel from among the heathen [nations] whither they be gone, and will gather them on every side, and bring them into their own land; and I will make them one nation in the land upon the mountains of Israel; and one King shall be king to them all”* (Ezekiel 37:21-22).

Notice the sequence of events set out in this prophecy:

[1] The Jews regathered to their own land.

[2] Israel established as a nation once again.

[3] The Jewish people brought into subjection to their King.

The first two events have been fulfilled in recent years. The world will see the third event take place, when, he who was *“born to be King”* (Matthew 2:2), who was crucified by Pilate because he claimed to be *“King of the Jews”* (Matthew 27:37), returns to take up his great power and reign as king. Meanwhile the revival of Jewish nationalism permits us to say, that we are living in the epoch of Jesus Christ’s second coming (Romans 11:15, 26).

Significance of Russian Development

Side by side with the uprising of Israel, the world has witnessed another great sign of Jesus Christ's second coming in the emergence of Russia as a world power. Eight hundred years ago, Russia was a tiny nation occupying a small tract of territory adjacent to Moscow. Today Russia dominates no less than one-quarter of the entire land mass of the world, and about one-third of its population.

This mighty accumulation of power has gradually developed over the years. It was given particular impetus in World War II. Thirty years ago Russia was restricted to her own vast territory. Today she is a world power that threatens to swamp other nations. All fear Russia. They know the threat to world peace that it presents. The question is constantly asked: **Is War with Russia inevitable?**

The Bible Reveals that War with Russia is Inevitable



Its prophecies provide the headlines of tomorrow!

They speak of an overwhelming invasion into the Middle East in *"the latter-days"* (Ezekiel 38:16), that will only be defeated by Divine intervention (verse 18). The leader is described as *"Gog, the land of Magog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal"* (verse 2). These are titles easily identified with Russia. Josephus, the Jewish historian of the first century, linked Magog with

the ancient Scythians, concerning whom, another historian Herodotus wrote: *"They spread from the River Tanais, or Don, westward along the banks of the Ister, or Danube."* They thus occupied the territory we style Germany or Central Europe.

Meshech is the ancient form of Muscovy, out of which came the name Moscow.

Tubal represented the Tiberenes, from whence came the name Tobolski, the capital of Siberia.

Gomer (verse 6) is the Jewish name for the Gauls, who migrated west to the territory of France, Holland, etc.

Togarmah has been identified with Turkey.

The names enumerated in Ezekiel 38:2-3, are the ancient titles of a Eurasian confederacy of nations. They are said to come “out of the north parts” against the “mountains of Israel” in “the latter days” (verse 15), describing our own times.

A glance at the map will show that Moscow is in exact longitudinal line above Jerusalem, answering to the description given in verse 15. South of Russia, the Caucasus Mountains stretch from the Caspian Sea to the Black Sea. They constitute a natural fortress guarding modern Russia, and it is said that the word *Caucasus* is derived from two Oriental words signifying “Gog’s Fortified Place.”

Who is Gog?

Gog is represented in this prophecy as chief of a mighty army incorporating most of Europe and Asia. He is styled “chief prince of *Meshech*” or Moscow (Ezekiel 38:2). The word “prince” comes from the Hebrew *nawsee*, signifying “one lifted up,” a dictator, and not necessarily one of royalty.

The word “chief” in Hebrew is *rosh*. Hebraists state that it is a proper



noun, and should be rendered as such. The Revised Version Bible accordingly, defines **Gog** in Ezekiel 38 as “**Prince of Rosh, Meshech and Tubal.**”

Russia was originally called “Rosh.” The historian Bochart declares that Ezekiel 38:2 contains the most ancient

form in Hebrew for *Russia*. Another historian Gibbon wrote “among the Greeks, *Russia* was known as *Ros*.” George Sava, a contemporary Russian historian, declares that Russia was first known by the name of “Rus.”

Gog is therefore Dictator of Russia, Moscow and Siberia.

We do not claim that the current President of Russia is the **Gog** of Ezekiel 38, but we do believe that ultimately the rivalry and jealousy of the Kremlin will bring to the fore a great military leader, such as Vladimir Putin, who will answer to the description of this prophecy. He will bring the confederated forces of Europe and Asia into the Middle East, and enact the invasion predicted in this chapter of Ezekiel 38.

The Bait Drawing Russia Into The Middle East

God has set His face against this power from the north, “Thus saith the LORD GOD: Behold I am against thee, O Gog...and I will turn thee back, and put hooks into thy jaws, and I will bring thee forth, and all thine army...” (Ezekiel 38:3). “**I will do it...**” says God, “**I will draw Russia and her armies into the Middle East.**” He likens Himself to a fisherman with hooks in the jaws of His catch, inexorably drawing it to where He wants it. It appears that the clever and strategic means of drawing Russia into the Middle East was perhaps through the rise of Isis and the Syrian war.

This is a feature of world events that should not be overlooked. Rulers and statesmen imagine that they are the arbiters of destiny, that the peace and goodwill of mankind depends upon their ability to bring it about.

Nothing is further from the truth.

The Bible clearly shows that God is the Arbiter of destiny. “**The Most High ruleth in the kingdoms of men, and giveth it to whomsoever He will**” (Daniel 4:17). He uses the ambitions and schemes of men and nations to further His plans. He used Hitler with his anti-Jewish mania to drive the Jews back to the Holy Land (Jeremiah 16:15-16). He is using the ambitions of Russia “to gather all nations” to the Middle East for judgment (Zephaniah 3:8). In Ezekiel 38:3, God uses the analogy of

a fisherman, baiting his hook in the sea of nations, and drawing them to the Middle East for His purpose.

And what desirable bait is found on that hook! The Middle East provides the richest, strategic and economic prizes on offer. It is the bridgehead of three main continents, linking Africa, Asia and Europe. It contains the richest oil deposits in the world. It is said that should no other oilfields be opened up elsewhere, the world will be absolutely dependent upon the Middle East within the next ten years.

God, who created the earth, not only arranged the land masses as to cause “*His land*” (Ezekiel 38:16) to be most desirable from a strategic point of view. But He also hid beneath its soil that most desirable of all commodities today – ***Oil***. Human ambition for power, are ready to grasp that bait, and so the schemes of men follow the course that conforms to God’s Purpose.

Statesmen know that the nation that controls the Middle East will make a great stride toward dominating the world; and the Bible predicted this 2500 years ago!

When and Where Russia will Attack

The remarkable prophecy of Ezekiel 38 not only identifies Russia as the invader, but also gives the time and place of the invasion. It states that the things predicted will take place “***in the latter days***” (verse 16). Israel is described as “*a land of unwallled villages,*” as “*once desolate but now inhabited,*” its population as having been “*gathered out of the nations*” (verse 12).

Within the last seventy years the whole character of the Middle East has changed so that today it now conforms to this description. Prior to World War 1, the Turks controlled the Middle East. Jews were not permitted to return, and there was no State of Israel in existence.

That has all changed. And changed in accordance with the very details of Ezekiel’s prophecy.

Take the description, “***a land of unwallled villages,***” as an example. This is a Bible term used to define a rural settlement (Ezekiel 38:11; see also Esther 9:19). Israel, today, is made up of such. The Israeli army is



Early Israeli immigrants re-established the productiveness of the land

largely an army of farmers. Much of its weaponry and uniforms are stored in the homes of the soldiers, and in times of emergency they leave their farms, their orchards, their rural settlements to defend their country. Israel is literally a land of *“unwalled villages.”*

Its population has also been *“gathered out of the nations.”* Israel today, is a microcosm of the whole world. The average Israeli has come from one of over seventy different countries. Some sixty different dialects are spoken in addition to the national language of Hebrew. Its land *“once desolate is now inhabited”* (Ezekiel 38:12).

The Jews have returned to learn the art of farming, to wrest from the arid, sterile soil some semblance of fertility, to rebuild the cities, reclaim the swamps, resettle the land.

In all its details, this remarkable prophecy has had partial fulfilment, showing that it is, indeed, God’s word.

But do the people today dwell *“safely”* as the prophet declared they would (verse 11)?

Even this detail has been fulfilled to the very letter. The word *“safely”* should be rendered *“confidently,”* as in the margins of most Bibles. And Israel today, is supremely confident. It has experienced remarkable victories in war against enormous odds; though every law of logic and economics has been against it. In spite of tremendous difficulties, in the face of the opposition of major powers it has won through. Today Israel looks to the future with confidence.

But it is a confidence that the Bible warns is misplaced. For it is in these “*latter days*” when Israel exists confidently in the land, ready to do battle with her Palestinian neighbours, that she is threatened by a force beyond her power to cope. **Gog** shall think “*an evil thought*” (verse 10), and the invasion of the Middle East will take place.

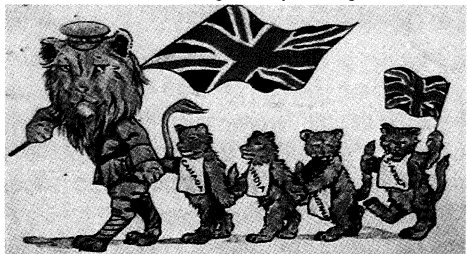
Russian strategy already provides for such an attack. This was obvious in October 1956, when the Suez Crisis broke upon a startled world and Russia threatened to enact the very invasion indicated in this chapter. It has been obvious since by the intrigues that have taken place in Iran, Syria, Egypt and the Middle East. The time will come when Russia will discard the tortuous methods of diplomacy and take matters into their own hands.

The Middle East will be invaded, and the greatest war of history will be launched upon a world that has closed its ears and eyes to the age-long warnings of God.

The Western Challenge to the Russian Forces

The enemies of **Gog** will challenge this invasion. To allow Russia to occupy this strategically important territory would constitute political suicide for the western nations. The Gogian invasion will be challenged by a vigorous protest on the part of “*the merchants of Tarshish, with all the young lions thereof*” (Ezekiel 38:13). These powers, referred to in Bible prophecy, can be identified with the English-speaking countries.

Tarshish is represented as a merchant-marine Power, anxious to protect the Middle East from Russia. It is found confederate with certain countries styled “*Sheba and Dedan*” which in ancient times were located in Arabia.



“Following in the Footsteps of the Dear Old Dad.”

A cartoon from 1916 showing the western nations falling into line behind Britain

Britain is a merchant power, her symbol is the Lion, she has vital interests in Arabia, and the Middle East; she has close ties with America. All the evidence points to the identification of *Tarshish* and the young lions with Britain and America.

The Drama of the Coming Crisis

2,500 years ago the prophecy of Ezekiel revealed the international set up of today!

The challenge of *Tarshish* (the western nations) will be ineffective. Other prophecies show that Russia will occupy Turkey, and from there drive south in an attempt to take Egypt (Daniel 11:40-45). The attack will initially prove successful, and the protests and opposition of Britain and America will be brushed crudely aside.

Gog will be permitted initial success that the world might plainly see in his eventual overthrow the manifestation of God's Power through Jesus Christ (Ezekiel 38:23).

God challenges the Russian **Gog** in the following words, "*Be thou prepared, and prepare for thyself, thou, and all thy company that is assembled unto thee, and be thou a guard unto them*" (Ezekiel 38:7).

This is an ironical statement. The prophet represents God as calling upon Russia, to mass all its might and power, its modern nuclear weapons of war, its guided ballistic missiles, its space rockets, its massed soldiers, for a tremendous and dramatic contest of power, in which God will vindicate His authority, and reveal the folly of both Jew and Gentile in placing confidence in themselves.

Russia's power is undoubtedly mighty from a human standpoint.

Russia has more soldiers than the rest of the world put together! They have the second largest navy, the greatest number of submarines, the biggest airforce. Their influence extends deep into European territory, and South Asia. By ideological interest she has linked the millions of China to her cause. She wages an unceasing war of nerves on Turkey, and constantly involves themselves in the Middle Eastern issues.

Russia is focussed upon world dominion, and will utilise its religious influences to its own prowess. Not until the whole world has embraced its policies will Russia feel safe.

This necessitates the future invasion predicted by Ezekiel, some 2,500 years ago!

The Bible also reveals that before Russia invades the Middle East, an even greater event will take place.

In the calm which will ensue before the storm, Jesus Christ will return from heaven 'like a thief,' that is, unbeknown to the unsuspecting world at large! From their graves his followers will be raised that they, together with living believers at the time, might be brought before him in judgment. He will reward them according as their work has been, whether faithful to him or not (Luke 12:46-48; 1Peter 4:17; 1Thessalonians 4:16; 2Thessalonians 2:1; 2Timothy 4:1, 8), bestowing life eternal upon those who have lived in accordance with his righteous precepts (Romans 2:7; Matthew 19:29). In company with some of them then made immortal and powerful like him (Philippians 3:21; cp. Zechariah 14:5), Jesus Christ and his followers will go forth against a world involved in warfare.

By then, the world will be convulsed in the greatest war in history.

The passions of men will rise until all reason is abandoned. East and West will be locked in a power struggle to the death.

Whilst the whole world will be involved (Jeremiah 25:29-33), the Middle East will be the main area of conflict. Russia's drive south will draw *"all nations to Jerusalem to battle"* (Zechariah 14:2). The city will fall to Gog's onslaught, and the Jews, together with their British and American allies, will be driven back.



Israel the centre of the world

Russia's triumph will seem assured! The whole world will appear to be on the point of being completely Russianised, when, suddenly, a new power appears in the political arena. "The LORD shall go forth and fight against those nations, as when He fought in the day of battle" (Zechariah 14:3). Jesus Christ will intervene in world affairs. With

almighty power he will suppress and overcome the warring nations. The elements of nature will fight against Gog. A storm of unprecedented extent will burst over the Holy Land. Heaven's artillery will thunder forth: lightning and hail of tremendous force will beat down the enemy. A terrible earthquake will shake the ground.

Fear and panic will grip the army of the Russian Gog. In superstition and dread, they will turn their weapons on each other in a terrible slaughter (see Ezekiel 38:18-22).

Gog's overthrow will be complete and absolute.

The Nations Humbled

Russia's initial success will humble the West and Israel. But Jesus Christ's triumph over Gog will humble Russia, bringing to nought the greatest accumulation of human power ever massed together in one. The terrible disaster of Russia, and the wonderful victory of Jesus Christ, will cause all men to look with awe and wonder at the rising power of Israel under its King, the Lord Jesus Christ. *"Thus will I magnify Myself, and sanctify Myself; and I will be known in the eyes of many nations,"* declares God (Ezekiel 38:23).

The defeat of Gog will commence a work of conquest by Jesus Christ, that will ultimately bring all nations in subjection to him. At first some will resist (see Psalm 2), but ultimately all will submit. *"I will give unto thee the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession,"* is the decree of God to His Son (Psalm 2:8). *"Thou shalt break them in pieces like a potter's vessel."* Again, *"All kings shall fall down before him: all nations shall serve him... they shall call him blessed"* (Psalm 72:11, 17).

The manifestation of God's Judgments in the earth will cause *"the inhabitants of the earth to learn righteousness"* (Isaiah 26:9).

Among those humbled by disaster and defeat will be the Jewish people! The Russian invasion will destroy much of what has been established in the Holy Land (Zechariah 13:8-9; Ezekiel 37:11), and will force those who remain to turn in humility to the God whom they have neglected for so long, and to His Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, their Divinely appointed King, whom they have despised (Zechariah 13:6).

They shall *“look on him whom they have pierced, and they shall mourn,”* in recognition of their past blindness (Zechariah 12:10).

No longer will they pride themselves on what they have accomplished; but they will finally realise their utter dependence upon God.

Thus humbled, they will be fit for the destiny God has in store for His nation, for the prophets declare, *“Now will I bring again the captivity of Jacob, saith the Lord God, and have mercy upon the whole house of Israel, and will be jealous for My holy Name; after that they have borne their shame, and all their trespasses whereby they have trespassed against Me, when they dwelt SAFELY in their land, and none made them afraid... Then shall they know that I am the Lord their God... neither will I hide My face any more from them”* (Ezekiel 39:25-29).

Jesus Christ will assume his rightful place as King of Israel (Luke 1:31-32), and of all mankind (Revelation 11:15). Jerusalem will become the metropolis of Jesus Christ's rule (Jeremiah 3:17).

The city of his humiliation 2,000 years ago, where the people shouted *“Crucify him! Crucify him!”* will become the scene of his future glory, and will be filled with an outpouring of praise to his honour.

It will become the centre of Truth, sane government, and righteous laws that will be radiated throughout the world for the well-being of mankind (Zechariah 14:16; Isaiah 2:2-4).

Our Message to You!

Out of the stormclouds of trouble and war, a bright future will unfold.

Though war with Russia is inevitable, Bible prophecy permits us to look beyond that time to when God will set up a kingdom *“which shall never be destroyed,”* and which *“breaking in pieces all others”* shall *“stand for ever”* (Daniel 2:44). To that end, Jesus Christ will return to the earth. His first work will be to raise from the dead and give eternal life to those who have lived in accordance with his teaching (1Corinthians 15:54). They will constitute his associates in the administration he will set up, when *“the kingdoms of this world will become the Kingdoms of our Lord and His Christ, and He will reign for ever and ever”* (Revelation 11:15).

These are the facts of Bible teaching that cannot be denied if an impartial consideration is given to the clear evidence.

They are facts supported by the fulfilment of Bible prophecy today taking place in the earth.

They provide the panacea to all of the problems of life, and set before us the glorious prospect of hope in relation to the future of this earth in fulfillment of the angels' words at the birth of Jesus Christ, "*Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men*" (Luke 2:14; cp. Numbers 14:21; Habakkuk 2:14).

Jesus Christ is coming! There is no doubt about that! The purpose of God demands it; the signs of the times indicate it; the needs of humanity require it. It will occur!

The question is: ***Will we witness it?***

The answer depends upon our attitude to the Bible. The way to life eternal in the Kingdom that God will set up on the earth is revealed in its pages from the very beginning. In this age of fear and doubt, Jesus Christ extends his hand to guide us from disbelief and error to the firm and sure ground of Truth and Hope.



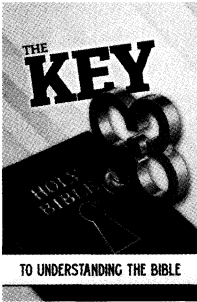
He has declared: "*Come unto me all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest*" (Matthew 11:28). A glorious future awaits those who are prepared to accept that invitation.

We earnestly suggest that you follow the advice so frequently heard, and "***Do it now!***" For "*now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation*" (2Corinthians 6:2).

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